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- 11. Director of Barbados Port Security, Anthony Benn credited the DS/ATA VIP Major Events Planning Course (Nassau, March 27-April 2, 2006) for inspiring the Barbados National Port Security Plan used during Cricket World Cup 2007 (CWC). Mr. Benn asked RSO to convey his appreciation for the professional instruction and useful materials provided during the course.
- 12. COMMENT: The GOB often declines training opportunities offered by the USG, perhaps out of a misplaced sense of being perceived as dependent. The exception made for CWC-related training appears to have opened a locked door. Relations between the Embassy and the Port Authority are now stronger thanks largely to ATA. END COMMENT

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